



SBNF and SCMF Restoration Sites Before and After



Requirements for OHV Restoration Success

- Careful selection and installation of barriers to exclude off route use is the first step to successful restoration.
- Frequent monitoring and maintenance of fences, signing, and plant materials on site is also essential. Our sites are maintained for at least 3 years after restoration.
- Here are some of our restored and ongoing sites.

Cactus Flat OHV Staging Area

Soil erosion and sedimentation prompted restoration of slopes using native seed, rock and slashing to stabilize eroded trails. Designating trails, delineating the staging area footprint and planting container plants over 7 years resulted in success.



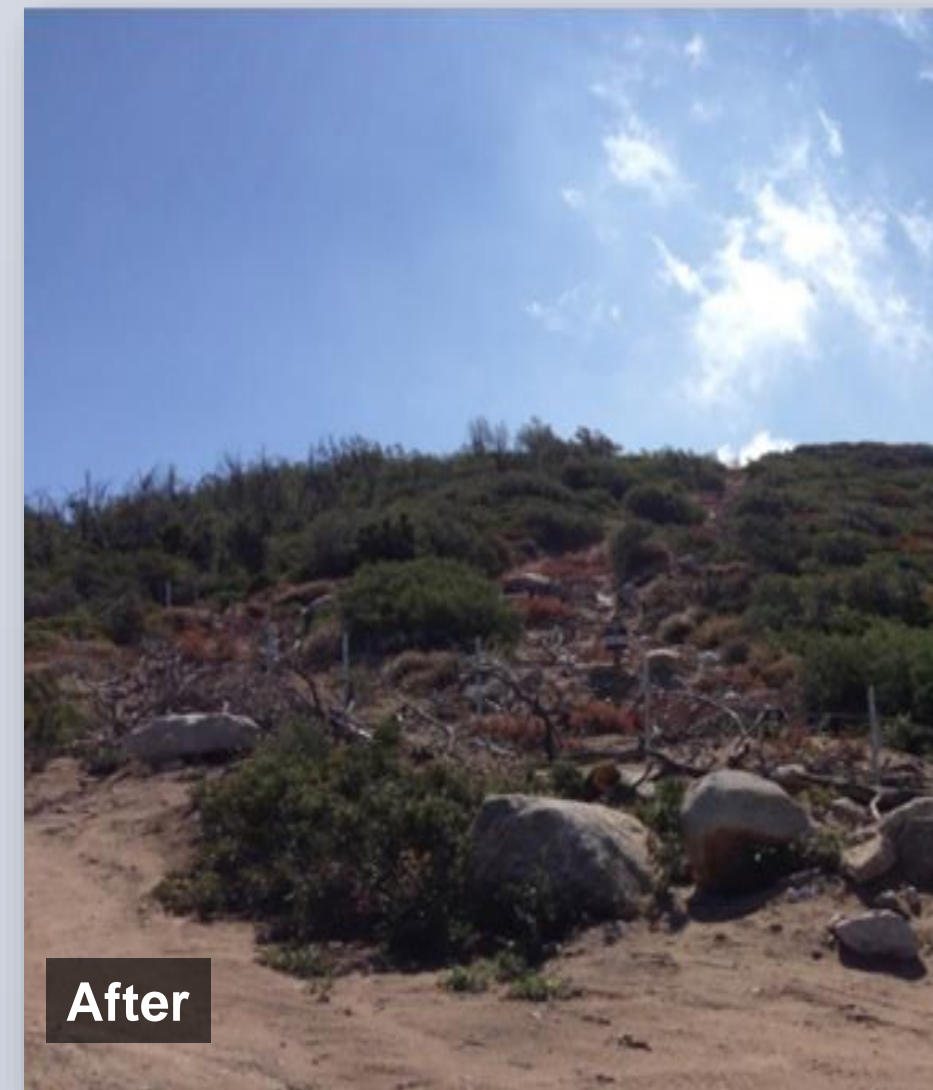
Summit OHV Staging Area

NEPA for Summit Staging Area Designation required restoration of 1 acre that was contributing sediment into arroyo toad habitat. The west parking area was chunked to decompact soils, increase water infiltration, develop planting sites for revegetation and reduce establishment of invasive weeds. The container plants grown in these basins grew more quickly than any of our other treatments.



Cleghorn Unauthorized Routes

Chunking badly compacted sites, along with seeding and planting native plants while using boulders and fencing to restrict off route use, resulted in successful restoration.



Miller Unofficial Staging Area

Compacted parking/camping site along a fork of the Mojave River was ripped, enhanced with topsoil, heavily seeded, and slashed in 2018. Weeding has been the most important maintenance requirement at this site.



Unauthorized Routes, South Side of 3N17

USFS, SCMF staff and UCC crews heavily slashed and seeded this unauthorized route in 2015. It held, and seeds grew to enhance vegetative cover. Having a UCC crew to complete this intensive method of slashing/seeding was key to success.



3N16 Cienega Redonda Triangle

This area had potential to become an unauthorized staging area along a popular Green Sticker route. A boulder barricade was installed and container plants were planted into augered holes. Additional plants were added annually until cover was achieved in 2019.



3N16 West of New Rattlesnake Trailing Site Development

One of 5 eroding sites along a popular Green Sticker route that was fenced, signed, planted and seeded to restore land that connects to the new Rattlesnake Trails and Trailing Site Development Project. Restoration can assist in sustainable development. This planting, completed September 2019 is 4 months old.

